L. H. J. Liber 54 Apr. 16 Saturday, April 16, 1774.

The House met.

All Members present as on Yesterday except M.r Beall and M.r Hawkins, who had Leave of Absence, and M.r Lloyd and M.r Paca, who had not Leave.

The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

On reading a second Time the Application of Charles Wilson Peale, of the City of Annapolis, Limner; This House accept of a very genteel Present of the Portrait of the Earl of Chatham, offered the legislative Body of this Province: And thereupon do appoint the Honourable Speaker and the Representatives of Anne-Arundel P. 372 County and of the City of Annapolis to receive and take Care of the same, and to direct any Alterations they may think proper to be made in said Portrait: And, as a Compliment to M. Peale, request his Acceptance of the Sum of One Hundred Pounds Common Money.

M.r Chamberlaine brings in and delivers to M.r Speaker the Journal of Accounts. Which was read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House by M.r Chamberlaine and M.r Sim.

The Bill, entitled, An Act to preserve the Independence of the Members of the Lower House of Assembly of this Province, and the ingrossed Bills, N.º 13, 14, 16, and the Paper Bills thereof. with the Paper Bill, N.º 15, were sent to the Upper House by M. Tyler and M. Hammond.

On Motion, the Question was put, that the Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the publick Roads in Anne-Arundel, Baltimore, and Frederick Counties, be referred to the next Session of Assembly? Carried in the Negative

For the Negative.

	Key, Barnes, Maxwell, Ringgold, Johnson, Chase, Somervell, Steele Ridgely,	Tolly, Deye, Ridgely Son of John, Sim, Contee, Earle, T. Wright, So. Wright,	Hyland, Gilpin, Ward, Funk, Beatty, Aq. Hall, Dallam.
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For the Affirmative

Mess.rs	Bond, Worthington, J. Hall, Hammond, Lyles,	Parran, Waters, Chamberlaine, Tyler Purnell,	Robins, Griffith Bond Son of Tho. ^s
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